## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 947

## By Southerland

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate the East Ridge Middle School Lady Bears upon winning the Middle 8 Middle School Girls Championship.

WHEREAS, we take great pleasure in paying tribute to a stellar group of student athletes who attained many firsts this basketball season through team work and a competitive spirit; and WHEREAS, the East Ridge Middle School Lady Bears are champions of the Middle 8 Middle School Girls Championship, and as such are deserving of the highest regard; and WHEREAS, taking on the Lincoln Heights Lady Patriots in the final game, the Lady Bears showcased their tenacious defense and tremendous offensive skills to claim a 40-33 victory; and

WHEREAS, after a hard start that left East Ridge down 17-21 at the half, Coach Chase Holder was able to motivate his team and change the momentum of the game, allowing the Lady Bears to take the lead in the fourth quarter of the game and claim the championship win; and

WHEREAS, it was a team effort that propelled East Ridge to victory in their championship game; Hannah Hall led the way for the Lady Bears with eighteen points, Janelyn Dearing scored six points, Brook Livesay and Riley Forester each scored five points, Tori Johnson scored four points, and Sophie Shelley scored two points; and

WHEREAS, the East Ridge Middle School Lady Bears have distinguished themselves as an excellent team with even greater promise, and these young women are richly deserving of our approbation; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

CONCURRING, that we honor the East Ridge Middle School Lady Bears on their win in the Middle 8 Middle School Girls Championship, congratulate the coaches and players on an outstanding season, and wish them all the best of luck for next season.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.

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